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Sir:

Applicants, by their attorneys, hereby petition for a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action mailed on May 7, 2003, thereby extending the time for response to November 7, 2003. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$950.00 to cover

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the cost of this Petition. Concurrently with the filing of this Petition, Applicants are filing a Notice of Appeal to appeal the decision of the Final Office Action.

Please charge any additional fees to our Deposit Account 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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